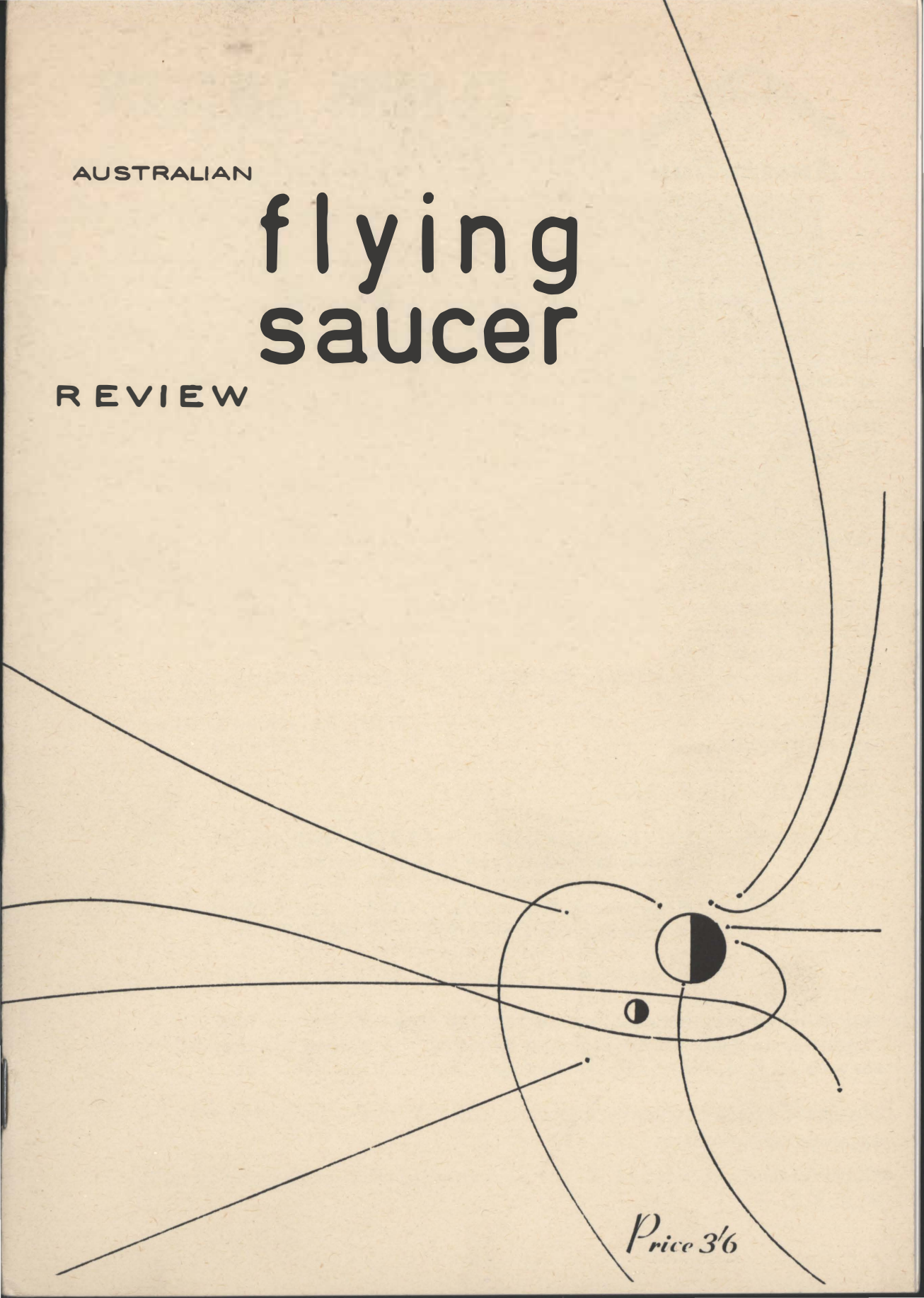


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Mr. Peter E. Norris LL.B. has headed this Society since its foundation in 1957. He was born in 1932, educated at Wesley College and graduated Bachelor of Laws from Melbourne University in 1958.

He is an elected Councillor of the City of Chelsea, and a member of at least six other Civic Bodies in that City.

The V.F.S.R.S. has much for which to thank Mr. Norris whose skill in maneuvering the Society through the difficulties inherent in such groups has shown intelligent leadership which has done much to gain the respect of the public and make the subject of Flying Saucers respectable.



There is a principle which is a bar against all information, which is proof against all arguments, and which cannot fail to keep man in everlasting ignorance - that principle is contempt prior to investigation.

Herbert Spencer.

GUEST EDITORIAL.

The Scientists of this wonderful world in which we live have opened up such vistas of adventure for youth that what has passed in human endeavour pales almost to insignificance. Where our fathers toiled under sail or on foot into formerly unknown realms of limited dimensions, the adventurer of tomorrow will journey outward into dimensions that know only the limitations of human technology; limitations that are daily decreasing. What a challenge lies before the young and the mentally fit today! No possible dream they may dream need be hopeless or improbable.

Somewhere out in that limitless space other youths have set out on journeys that have already given them the universe for a playground, and in the not too distant future we too, will emulate their flights. I believe this so passionately that the thought of it fills me with a gratifying excitement. Some day we too, will fly into the vision of people of a distant planet and fill them with a strange wonder as did those vehicles Kenneth Arnold first reported over America.

This is not wishful thinking. This will surely come to pass. The stage was set 25 years ago when scientists split the uranium nucleus. In doing the impossible, all things were made possible. Today scientists sweep the skies with instruments of unbelievable precision. They tune in nightly to the incessant babble of the stars and hidden within that rowdy background of sound, keen ears have heard the broadcast that comes to their instruments from a source one million light years distant. The sirens singing to Ulysses never sang so sweetly from their rock as this strange broadcast sings to those who listen. It is a song that will lure men from this planet more surely than were the ancient mariners from their ships. They to their deaths, but to man it holds a promise of life.

This then is the message of this magazine. Let us welcome 1965 with a new hope for mankind, believing our true destiny lies out there among the stars rather than in war and self destruction. Encouraged by the fact that the dreams of mankind, have never reached such sublime heights, let us as intelligent members of society see to it we do our best to further the cause of peace so that these dreams become reality. For this effort on our part the rewards awaiting us are incalculable.

E. N. HALL.

AUSTRALIAN U.F.O. CONFERENCE.

The first Convention of Australian UFO groups was held at Ballarat, Victoria, on 26th - 28th February, 1965.

All major Australian Societies were represented and delegates read papers dealing with various facets of UFO research.

A unique aspect of the Convention was the attendance of an official representative of the R.A.A.F. in the person of Mr. B. G. Roberts, the R.A.A.F. Senior Research Scientist in Canberra.

Mr. Roberts spoke briefly of the type of research undertaken in the UFO field by the R.A.A.F., but caused no surprises until he claimed that the R.A.A.F. possessed no positive evidence of UFO existence - apart from one photograph which had turned out to be a hoax anyway.

When questioned about the famous Drury 16 m.m. film of 1953, which Mr. Drury claimed to have passed on to the R.A.A.F., Mr. Roberts could offer no enlightenment. "I have no knowledge of the film", he said.

The highlights of Saturday night's programme were an eye-witness account of UFO activity in Gippsland, narrated by Mr. Charles Brew, and presentation of the Reverend Gill's sighting in New Guinea, with illustrations, by the Rev. Canon Cruttwell. The Rev. Gill was present in the audience.

Air Marshal Sir George Jones, who attended the convention, and who personally sighted a UFO in 1957, said he was greatly impressed with the sightings described by Mr. Brew and Rev. Gill and expressed scepticism at the R.A.A.F.'s claim to be able to explain practically all UFO's as misidentified physical phenomena. On the Sunday, delegates met privately to discuss the inauguration of a federal body, and considerable discussion resulted in the formation of Commonwealth Aerial Phenomena Investigation Organisation (C.A.P.I.O.).

C.A.P.I.O.'s initial functions will be to correlate certain aspects of the work carried out by reliable UFO groups, particularly in the field of public relations.

In representations made to official organisations, Australian UFO groups will in future speak with a unified voice through CAPIO. The Federal organisation will also be responsible for planning and administering future UFO conventions which are intended to become an annual event.

The office bearers of C.A.P.I.O. elected at the Convention are as follows :-

President:	Mr. Peter E. Norris	(Victoria)
Secretary:	Mrs. Sylvia Sutton	"
Ass't. Secretary:	Mrs. Judith M. Magee	"
Vice President:	Mr. Leslie Locke	(West Australia)
Vice President:	Mr. Andy Tomas	(N.S.W.)
Treasurer:	To be selected by the Ballarat Astronomical Society, from among their members.	

Organisers of the Convention were the Ballarat Astronomical Society, and its great success was largely due to the foresight and energy of Mr. Howard Sloane and Mr. S. J. Cynzski of the Society.

Members of Perth U.F.O. Society recently compiled this paper based on the vital question: "HOW ARE WE, THE INHABITANTS OF EARTH, TO PREPARE OURSELVES FOR CONTACT WITH SPACE TRAVELLERS?" We commend it to our readers.

Editor ...

1. This title positively asserts that we all know that our space friends are appearing in our skies. We are in agreement that these visitors from other Planets are immeasurably superior in all ways to Earthlings. Behind the apparent simplicity of this title, there is a vast potential to be explored, and although we are viewing this subject as a whole, it is the individual who is involved and foremost.

2. Therefore, we speak to you as individuals, who, with our different characteristics, approach to life and environments are making up the sum total of "Life". No matter at what level we experience it, we are part of the "Universal Consciousness" the "Cosmic Whole". Therefore we look to the space visitors and recognise them as Brothers - and as Brothers we wish to prepare ourselves in an appropriate way to be welcomed back into the Galaxy of United Worlds, and so, the age old adage "Do unto others as ye would be done by" comes to mind, and we must take this into every vestage of our daily living. Almost automatically we feel Love and Great Esteem for our space Brothers, and the practicing of this goodwill between ourselves is a basic fundamental for our future relationship with these Visitors and comes under the heading of the "Law of Right Human Relationship".

3. The Answer, to "How are we to prepare ourselves, the Inhabitants of Earth, for contact with space travellers," calls for an investigation of a personal nature.

4. If we take an inventory of ourselves and through analysis we find there are many things of which we are fearful, the main one here would be criticism, fearful of being ridiculed because of our acceptance of space people. Fear is so prevalent with us; and it disturbs our state of mind. Its subtle nature can sometimes remain hidden in the subconscious mind, where it is difficult to locate, and still more difficult to eliminate. Fear is frequently caused by Lack of Knowledge of the unknown, and interferes with our examination of facts. By eliminating fear we are on the first rung of the ladder in preparation for contact with space beings.

5. The Past conception of the Universe has been so small, that we thought the Planet "Earth" was the only place on which life could exist. It has narrowed our thinking to such a degree as to restrict our acceptance and understanding, whereas we should broaden our minds to the possibilities of Life beyond our Globe. As we progress we uncover hidden truths that enlighten us to the realisation of forms of life on other Planets of our Universe.

6. We then become free to expand from a single unit to become united with a vast universe of such dimensions as to be beyond our comprehension - an integration - a restoration to wholeness - bringing with it a freedom that is Peace and Love. So we broaden our minds and are ready to extend the hand of friendship to our Brothers of other Planets.

7. Of course this sounds simple, but it goes far deeper than we realise. There is the psychological attitude; the training of the mind so that our consciousness accepts the abolition of all doubts about self, space, and other hindrances to our progress. By doing so, we process our mental qualities to a higher degree, thereby enabling us to touch the exalted plane to which space people are so accustomed.

8. The foregoing is a Supreme Ideal or Ultimate Goal to which we would attain. Unfortunately, however, there are many people on this Earth today who have very little understanding and trust in their fellow creatures, as proven by the number of organisations, Churches, Lodges, etc., who have been teaching and preaching the Brotherhood of man for many centuries and still have an antagonistic attitude towards each other. In all parts of the world this is most obvious, particularly where the racial problem is uppermost.

9. In preparing for contact with space people, we come up against the barrier of personalities and behaviour. This same barrier is present among the peoples of the world today. It is not just merely one of beliefs, knowledge, riches or spiritual understanding, but one of behaviour. Who of us today would blindly take his family to the Congo, Vietnam and similar racially disturbed areas? No, we may look upon our coloured brothers, with Love and High Ideals, but we dare not rush in where angels fear to tread. If we cannot approach each other in harmony and goodwill, how much harder for a visitor?
10. Have you tried to bridge the gap between ourselves (the White Australians) and our native Aborigines? Unfortunately a tremendous amount of goodwill seems to fail, in our short term efforts and it will be many years before we are completely at ease with each other. Can we imagine the clash of civilisations if we took our latest jets, Polaris Missile Submarines, computers and radar back among the Eskimos of 100 years ago, or the native African before slavery began?
11. How much of a gap is there today between our best and the more backward in New Guinea or the Aucus of South America, where five missionaries were killed only a few years ago, or more recently in Africa. If a BUSHMAN or WATUSI of Central Africa is awed or cowed by a modern helicopter, what difference would there be between us and greater cultures, should we come to close quarters with a Space ship from another Planet.
12. Our values of right and wrong, family behaviour, moral values, science, religious observances, and spiritual drive are all clashing like an orchestra out of tune. Until we can help put ourselves back into harmony, we need not expect to play any part in what will inevitably be, a better and wonderful future, with the rest of the inhabited universe.
13. We must therefore make a gradual change by bringing in a more realistic view of the U.F.O. subject. By firstly introducing the spacecraft to the masses and when they believe in them, lead up to the actual interplanetary visitors. It is with these thoughts in mind we now submit a practical and logical presentation which is believed will cover this phase of progression.
14. In many instances uninformed people on hearing the subject of U.F.O. mentioned treat the subject lightly. But by bringing forward tangible evidence of actual sightings as witnessed by unbiased observers, acceptable to the individual, their interest is aroused and they are soon seeking further information.
15. By verifying the evidence given in a logical manner, such as statements made by leading aircraft manufacturers and air

pilots, we are not producing machines capable of duplicating their maneuvers, as the following few quotations from the English Flying Saucer Review will show :-

LOUIS BREQUET - FRENCH AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURER:

"The discs use a means of propulsion different from ours. There is no other possible explanation - flying saucers come from another world".

WILLIAM LEAR - PRESIDENT - LEAR INC. (MAKERS OF AIRCRAFT AND ELECTRONICS EQUIPMENT) :

"I believe the flying saucers come from outer space, piloted by beings of superior intelligence".

PIERRE CLOSTERMANN - FRENCH AIR ACE:

"Flying saucers have an extra-terrestrial origin. Neither Americans nor Russians are capable of constructing machines of this sort. The characteristics of the discs are clearly superior to present possibilities of science".

16. These quotations show that these craft must be made elsewhere and to do this requires a civilisation elsewhere - of superior intelligence. Which indicates intelligent beings from other planets, are visiting us and their reasons for coming can only be obtained by preparing ourselves to meet them in a friendly and co-operative manner.
17. What will the world gain from these visitors? We could speculate in the following manner. Advice regarding social problems of world wide magnitude. Knowledge in the sphere of mechanics, physics, science and energy sources, but we will never know if we do not open our minds to receive the benefits of their advanced culture and technology. In the past much substantial evidence has been obscured and we feel that the time has come for the facts to be revealed, firstly by a Government announcement, and the newspapers treating the subject with proper respect. The Government should inform the people that U.F.O.'s are genuine and those who control them are friendly and from other planets.
18. If this became a reality all the problems of secrecy and ridicule would disappear, making it absolutely imperative that we do something worth-while to prepare ourselves to meet them face to face. But the evidence of the past must make us so fearfully pessimistic that the only alternative is to reject the possibility of an announcement. Could we expect a complete repudiation of the Government policy of hedging or denying their

existence? Officialdom might feel embarrassed at such a repudiation, also could they cope with the question asked, not to mention the panic and upheaval of the frightened. Would they answer any of these questions? -

How long have you known?

Why was it hidden from us for so many years?

Why did you tell us that other planets are uninhabited?

Who authorised the censorship?

Have you captured any?

How many are there on Earth?

Who allowed millions of our money to be spent on out of date

Satellites and Planes?

Why haven't they landed?

How

How many more questions could you put to the Government in those circumstances?

There is surely an insurmountable barrier of problems that the combined Governments of this generation could not handle. Because of all these problems we reluctantly dismiss the possibility of a Government announcement. Although we suggest that accurate newspaper reporting would counteract this to some extent.

19. WHAT WOULD BE THE EFFECT OF A MASS VISITATION WHICH COULD BE SEEN BY MANY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE?

There is some evidence that this has happened over Fatima, Washington, and other prominent places, but, accepting our space Brothers "knowledge", of our own weaknesses and unsuitability, we doubt it; they will repeat this without a very obvious change in our behaviour. Neither do we consider that we could cope with the panic which may occur similar to that which happened in U.S.A. and HOLLAND with Radio Programmes. The world has not deviated from CENSORSHIP to misguidedly protect the masses from themselves. Individual snippets of truthful statements about U.F.O.'s are soon denied so that we gain nothing that would help to prepare the people.

20. REGARDING TELEPATHIC AND RADIO COMMUNICATIONS WITH SPACE PEOPLE AS PRACTISED BY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.

There is no reason to stop genuine communications of this type though there may be a problem sorting the truth from the hoaxes.

HOW EFFECTIVELY CAN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES BE USED WITH FILMS - RADIO - TELEVISION, ETC.?

An excellent method if presented in an attractive manner, using documented evidence with the purpose of substantiating the truth of their existence. We strongly deplore the over dramatisation of the unknown and fearful aspect, but for preference give an air of friendship and goodwill. These could be supplemented by inexpensive literature being made available to the public.

21. At the beginning of the paper we emphasised the vast potential of this subject; however, we regret space does not permit a full appraisal of all aspects many of which we have not covered. Before concluding, we present the following summary of points we have referred to :-

Preparation of the Individual.

A Greater Personal understanding of each other.

A Wider Universal understanding.

Preparation of the Masses.

The introduction of a Practical presentation of the subject.

The Benefits to be obtained by contact.

Approach to the Authorities.

Approach to scientific fraternity.

Communication and Educational Programme.

In conclusion, we the West Australian U.F.O. Group have endeavoured to put into phraseology the principal effects that constitute a worth-while subject, hoping that somewhere along the line it will be of benefit, not only to the individual, but to the masses, and as Australians, we could set an example by accepting the space peoples teachings, taking a leading part as the peoples of the world prepare themselves for contact.

BOOK REVIEW.

"He Walked the Americas" by L. Taylor Hansen. Published by Amherst Press, Amherst, Wisconsin. U.S. Price \$6.95.

The name of Ray Palmer is a familiar one to those of us who read periodicals devoted to the subject of flying saucers. His magazine, "Flying Saucers" is the only one of its type - a professional news-stand magazine, not a privately circulated amateur publication of the type we are now reading. In order to sell copies of his magazine, Palmer has written many highly controversial articles and printed others of a similar nature, many of them of very doubtful worth. The pages of Palmer's magazine are liberally interspersed with advertisements for books on flying saucers and 'allied' subjects, all of which are published by his own Amherst press (or maybe Gray

Barker). Palmer works on the principle that anyone who believes in flying saucers will believe in anything. Hence the range of books on 'allied' subjects that he has published to try and make a fast buck out of the saucer cult. The book under review is one of his more elaborate enterprises and is a good example of book production, although it has nothing even remotely to do with flying saucers.

"I Walked the Americas" is a collection of American Indian legends which tell of a white Prophet who came among them with teachings similar to those of Jesus Christ. The inference is, of course, obvious. Having little knowledge of anthropology I will make no comment on the contents of the book. Instead I will content myself with relating a fascinating story about the writer of the book, L. Taylor Hansen.

For the following information I am indebted to science fiction's premier historian and biographer, Sam Moskowitz, and to the U.S. science fiction magazine "Amazing Stories", in which it first appeared.

"Amazing Stories" was America's first science fiction magazine, being founded in 1926 by Hugo Gernsback, the 'Father of Science Fiction'. In recent years it has, from time to time, republished 'classic' stories from its earlier days. In the issue for May, 1961, it republished a story called "The Undersea Tube" by L. Taylor Hansen, which had originally appeared in November, 1929. In his preface to the 1961 reprinting of the story Sam Moskowitz has this to say, "Women have always been scarce in the rollcall of science fiction writers. One of the most promising women science fiction writers successfully concealed her sex until nearly 10 years after the appearance of her first story no one dreamed that the first initial in the author's name, L. Taylor Hansen, stood for 'Louise'. Her only public appearance was at a meeting of the Los Angeles Science Fantasy Society in 1939 After being feted for the excellence of her contributions to science fiction, and creating surprise over the fact that L. Taylor Hansen was a woman, she excused herself to make a telephone call. Emerging from the booth she said, 'I must leave now, but there is something important I have to tell you. I never wrote those stories. They were written by my brother who is a world traveller, who wrote them for fun and sent them to me to publish under my own name. I just wanted you to know'. She left the meeting and never appeared at a public science fiction gathering again. A series of 59 articles displaying an amazing range of erudition and background in exploration appeared in 'Amazing Stories' under the name of L. Taylor Hansen from 1941 to 1948. Was this Louise or her brother explorer? No light has ever been shed on this unusual mystery."

Another interesting fact is that Ray Palmer - a very well known science fiction writer during the thirties - himself

became editor of "Amazing Stories" in 1938.

IAN H. GODDEN.

SUPERSONIC PELICAN HOMING IN ON LAKE GEORGE IN N. S. W.



Scoop photo by courtesy of The Australian.

If those objects reported as jets over Longreach in Queensland were birds, it should be a great moment in history for students of ornithology, for it is the first recorded appearance of supersonic pelicans. If meteors, it should be a great day for astronomers with the advent of meteors flying in formation, and if ice crystals have begun to fly in formation, we can expect meteorologists to have greater difficulty in forecasting the weather.

A CHILD'S EYE VIEW.

SCHOOL IN THE YEAR 2000.

by Sylvia Statham, 12 years.

Travelling to and from school in this day and age is very much different to when I was at school. Now, my children travel by Flying Saucer instead of walking or catching public transport.

They arrive at school and sit in large air-conditioned studios with their private computers. The building itself is round with a special transparent roof for extra light. The playing area is in the centre, like a court, and because there are no windows, pupils can play without damaging any equipment. The teachers are computers and robots, which help the pupils to understand Science and Space travel. The pupils are taken for interplanetary excursions to Venus and Mars by huge Space Craft which can carry up to 250 people.

A CURIOUS COLLISION 800 MILES UP.

Did a UFO Strike Echo 2?

The New Scientist, No. 428, a British Publication, dated January 28, 1965, reported an incident which may clear the mystery of what happened to Echo 2, launched on January 25, 1964, and is one of the most familiar of the orbiting satellites which has been viewed by millions. A television film taken from Agena B, second stage rocket, showed the balloon to be fully inflated during the first few minutes, then something went wrong.

The author, David Fisher, quotes Dr. W. A. S. Murray, Director of a research team at the Royal Radar Establishment in Malvern, Worcestershire, who said "Echo 2 was struck a glancing blow by an object moving at approximately the same speed." The team was using a new radar system which can "see" an object the size of a football 1,000 miles away. Radar echoes showed evidence that the balloon had been punctured.

At first the obvious explanation was that a meteorite had struck the balloon and it was argued that its predecessor, Echo 1, was filled with holes, but a fast moving object would pass through the balloon making two holes. The evidence shows only one hole. Another explanation was that the balloon burst from high pressure, but this failed to explain the balloon's spin.

The article lists only two objects which could have been responsible, and these were the two halves of the canister in which the balloon was launched. Ufologists will naturally add a more probable explanation, especially in view of recent reports of UFOs pacing our manned and unmanned satellites such as the following report to this Society from Argentina.

Astronomer's Letter :

The details of this dramatic sighting came from the Adhara Observatory in Argentina as follows :

"As it was your wish, the last object of which you received news, I would like to tell you the following: On November 14, 1964 at 20, 35, 20, 45, and 21 hours in my observatory in the city of San Miguel, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina, while observing the space with Messers Nester Flores (Optician), Horis Roz (University Student) and various others, with a clear sky and a first crescent Moon, we were able to follow the movement of a solid object with orange borders and a brilliant white centre. It was cigar shaped and the size similar to Saturn with borders clearly marked and with a speed superior to that of Echo 2. It first followed a N to SSE course, with no audible sound, illuminated by its own light, because as it entered the cone of terrestrial shadow it remained brilliant.

Three times we saw it pass. The first time it appeared at 20, 35 hours under the Pagaso Constellation, crossing over the direction of Echo 2 going towards N W - S E disappearing into the Orion Constellation. The second time it passed at 20, 45 hours from the Centauro Constellation, ascending to our local zenith where it crossed Echo 2, travelling from horizon to horizon in 4 minutes until it disappeared near the Andromeda horizon.

The third time it appeared at 21 hours near the Altair Star, diving straight up to the Orion Constellation where it crossed Echo 2 near the S E horizon, and after 4 minutes disappeared in the Southern horizon.

On another occasion which occurred on October 17th, 1964, the telescope at this same observatory was focussed on the Moon at 20, 45 hours when a cigar shaped object crossed in front of the Moon in route from E to W (of the concavity of the convexity) taking 12 to 14 seconds to sweep over the disc of the Moon."

ACTIVITY OF MOON OBJECTS CONTINUES.

Ranger 8 was only one day on its way toward the Moon when members of the public in Britain were amazed by a bright spot near the Moon. A Bracknell Berkshire Meteorologist said, "It is not a meteorological phenomenon, it could be some sort of a space ship, it is too close to the Moon to be a star." That same day an object was photographed from Melbourne, Australia, making a semicircle around the Moon in seven minutes.

AUSTRALIAN SIGHTINGS.

Another sky object with characteristics usually attributed to flying saucers was clearly photographed by Mr. Walter Jacobs, Steward in the freighter, Iron Duke. The photographs show a glowing object, a bright orange glow with a "dent" on top and a "knot" on the bottom, moving around the Moon about 10 p.m. on March 17, 1965.

DRAMATIC RECHARGING OPERATION?

One of the most spectacular sightings ever to be reported in Australia came from Mr. Langford, Owner of a Piano School in Ryde, N.S.W., witnessed by at least 30 people.

Mr. Langford reports that, "one afternoon in early September three years ago, I was visiting a pupil in Mirool Street, Eastwood, and as I was about to enter the gateway to my pupil's home, I saw what appeared to be a number of sky-rockets about 1,000 feet up.

Four "rockets" approached from the North, four from the South and four from the West, and when it seemed they would all crash at the one point, they suddenly stopped dead at what appeared to be a few feet from each other. After hovering in this stationary position for 30 seconds, all swung east and flying in perfect formation sped off at incredible speed.

About 30 persons, apart from myself, witnessed this "phenomenon", and although it was reported to the press, no word appeared in any newspaper. I concluded, therefore, that the whole thing must have been some "hush hush" Air Force maneuver and forgot all about it until I read your article in the Australasian Post. The "rockets" were all very bright, like neon signs."

SIGHTING REPORTS - VICTORIA.

Mr. Ian D. Scott, Head Teacher of State School, Welshpool, Victoria, writes as follows:

"All sightings mentioned below were made by me, in my wife's presence, and there are many other sightings which I refuse to include due to lack of authentic confirmation."

Case 1. 20th March, 1965. Time 8.30 p.m. Object first sighted overhead, then moved through 30 degrees of arc in ENE direction. Time about 2 - 3 minutes. It paused, hovered there for a minute or so, then took off at approximately the same speed in a NNW direction through about 10 degrees of arc; paused again 3 minutes, moved slowly a further short distance, and finally went off in an ENE direction again, this time in a direct line from the observer but rising at a tangent of about 45 - 50 degrees from the horizon. Finally blacked out, disappearing completely. Appearance that of a yellow star, suggesting tungsten lighting. No details observed. No sound. Sky quite cloudless.

Case 2. 22nd March, 1965. Time 9.20 p.m. Object moved from WSW to zenith in jerky movements, passed at the zenith, then moved NNE, blacking out approximately 15 degrees from horizon. Much bluer than on 20th.

Case 3. 23rd March, 1965. Time 10.05 p.m. Object first at zenith 75 degrees above southern horizon, moved in 3 minutes from there to NW about 60 degrees above horizon, then moved easterly until obscured by cloud. No cloud elsewhere.

Case 4. 25th March, 1965. Time 7.30 p.m. Object rose WSW, moved in continuous straight orbital line to a position 35 degrees above the eastern horizon. There it stopped dead, remaining 6 minutes 35 seconds in position before resuming journey. Cloudless sky.

Case 5. 26th March, 1965. Time 8.45 p.m. Object seen repeating Tuesday's (23rd) course, except first picked up in NW position referred to previously, but no knowledge of prior position.

SIGHTING REPORTS - NEW ZEALAND.

On January 13th of this year, a flight of seven UFO's was tracked visually and on radar by the crew of a Qantas Electra aircraft enroute from Auckland to Sydney. The objects appeared to be flying at an estimated height of 45,000 feet, and were headed east towards New Zealand in a vee formation.

The sighting took place at about 8.40 p.m., 300 miles west of Auckland. The New Zealand Civil Aviation Administration confirmed the sighting. Apparently the objects flight had been plotted on their radar also. Later, on the same night, lighted objects were seen over Lower Hut, N.Z., and also over Grey Lynne, N.Z. Two objects were seen a little later at 12.30 a.m. by a man fishing near Rangitoto.

Also on the night of the 13th January, a girl sitting in a car near Harewood, N.Z., with a member of the U.S. Navy, saw a large, low flying circular object, with a blue centre encircled by a gold ring, travel through the sky at a low altitude from over a nearby golf course.

Explanation forthcoming from the R.N.Z.A.F. suggested that the Tasman UFO's were actually ice crystals in high cirrus clouds, while the R.A.A.F. preferred to theorize that the objects were high flying military aircraft. (Presumably Indonesian, although the distance involved would be prohibitive).

This is obviously another instance of highly competent witnesses being suddenly judged incompetent when the subject is UFO's.

Another N.Z. sighting occurred on January 15th, at 2.50 a.m. when three UFO's appeared over Tauranga. The strange objects were witnessed by Mr. John Cresswell, a member of the Tauranga Harbour Board's Watch office staff. The lights were circular, yellow, with a blue green aura around them and pulsating. While the objects were in the vicinity, the Board's radio went dead.

On January 19th at 9.50 p.m., a resident of Mt. Eden reported a disc-shaped object with a white light.

On January 17th at 4.15 a.m., 5 bright yellowish-white lights were seen over Epsom, hovering in the sky, then started rotating like a merry-go-round.

Twelve orange-colored objects were seen over Dunedin by a court officer of the Magistrate's Court. The objects were in a vee formation, flying low in a northern direction.

On December 21st, 1964, a UFO was seen over the Bay of Islands. The object was round and almost half the apparent size of the moon.

On November 9th, 1964, an Unidentified Flying Object was seen over Gisborne. The object was travelling at a rapid speed west to east.

On the 3rd February at 5.30 p.m., whilst driving along Fendalton Road, three young men saw a shining oblong object, hanging motionless in the sky in the direction of Darfield. The object was estimated to have been at a height of between 400-500 feet. The men first thought the object was an aircraft, but when it remained motionless, they realized it was not. The object remained visible until they turned left at the end of Fendalton Road.

Three and one quarter hours later, a man returning to his home, saw a bright light on the beach at South Brighton. At first, he said, he thought the light might have been from a scrub fire, but as he got out of his car and approached the light, he heard what he described as an "oscillating whistling noise". He was then astonished to see an object about 20 feet in diameter rise off the beach. It lifted to a height of about 50 feet. As it rose, the light gradually dimmed. He then returned home, but returned to the area later with his dog and some neighbours. The party searched a wide area and between two sandhills, found an area of flattened grass. On sniffing around this area, his dog became wildly excited.

A report was received the next day from a man who, when with his wife and friends, had been out the previous night, and had seen a large bright object rise from the direction of South Brighton at 8.45 p.m. The object appeared to move straight up into the sky. The sight so surprised him, that he almost drove off the road, and his wife had to call his attention back to driving. A similar object to the one seen at South Brighton, was seen by a Woodend Invercargill woman on the same night.

Many other lights in the sky were reported on that night and subsequent nights, over the South Island.

Mr. P. T. Sheean of Summer reported that he and his wife saw an object three times on the 1st February, at 9.30 - 10.10 p.m. and 10.30 p.m.

At 9.30 p.m., the object travelled rapidly from west to east, crossing from horizon to horizon in about 4 minutes; forty minutes later it travelled from south to north at the same speed. Twenty minutes later it appeared again, much slower, oscillating in its movement from south to north-west and appearing to be rotating at times.

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MAGAZINE - "UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT"

It is to our loss that Mr. Ian H. Godden has resigned from the magazine sub-committee as editor. We have been commended by many for the high quality of our magazine, and a large portion of the last magazine edited by Mr. Godden was included in Ray Palmer's April issue of "Flying Saucers".

We extend our thanks to Mr. Godden who has offered to assist the new editorial sub-committee and to contribute to future editions of the magazine, and we hope that this transfer to a country area will bring success and happiness for him and his family.

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OVERSEAS TAPES.

The Victorian Flying Saucer Research Society wishes to thank Mr. Joseph A. Myers of Station W.B.T. North Carolina, for the excellent tape recordings which he graciously donated to our Society. These tapes have been distributed to all Saucer Societies who have requested copies of these Project 60 programs, and are still available to all UFO Societies who request them.

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UFOLOGIES GREAT LOSS.

Mr. Waveney Girvan, a respected and diligent researcher, died in October last year. He had for some time been editor of the English Flying Saucer Review, wrote some thought-provoking books and contributed much to the study of Flying Saucers. We are sure he will be greatly missed.

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Mr. George Adamski, 74, of Vista, California, died April 23rd, 1965, in the Washington Sanitarium, Takoma Park, Md., of an apparent heart attack.

A great deal has been said for and against this most controversial figure of the UFO world. He has written several books on the subject of Flying Saucers and whether or not one agrees with his theories or prognoses, it must surely be admitted, he has probably had the greatest influence in interesting many people in this field of study.

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LETTERS.

This Society welcomes letters and articles from readers. Please keep your letters short and concise, and we request that if contributing to the magazine to type them if possible, using double spacing and one side of the paper only.

Unless correspondents give their full name and address (not necessarily for publication), their letters will not be considered.

Kindly address magazine mail to the Editorial Sub-Committee, care of the Box number.

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NEW BOOKS:

FORGOTTEN HERITAGE by Brinsley le Poer Trench.

WE ARE NOT ALONE by Walter Sullivan.

ANATOMY OF A PHENOMENON by Jacques Vallee (to be published June '65).

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

THANKS TO "POST".

This Society and the subject of Flying Saucers have enjoyed much favourable publicity since the Ballarat U.F.O. Convention, and we are indebted to the Australasian Post for this.

As a result of the latest article, we received a large number of letters and most of these described sightings, some of which were of quite a dramatic nature.

One correspondent wrote that whilst holidaying in Sydney in a cliffside house, she had been watching a beautiful pink cloud. It remained in the same position from 5.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. When she again looked at 7 p.m. she was amazed to see it moving slowly towards the rocks at the base of the cliff. As the "cloud" came nearer, the observer was able to look down into the cloud and was astounded to see 'a magnificent snow white flying saucer'. The cloud was formed by a grey colored steam which soon turned a pink after issuing from vents around the outer edge of the saucer. The witness appears to have had a very clear view of the object and describes the bottom of the 'saucer' as coming to a point about 3 feet wide. A noise like that of 'a high powered well cared for engine' was heard, and as she watched a shining ladder was lowered from the hatchway beneath the saucer and a man came down and sat on a rung of the ladder. From this position he shone a strong beam of light into the sea, as if looking for something. Shortly after this a 'brilliant pink flare went up further out to sea', and almost immediately the ladder with the man aboard was retracted and the machine sped off in the direction of the flare. In the moonlight the woman could make out a long shape in the water and when the 'saucer' had reached this, they both disappeared 'in a vivid pink flash, beneath the sea'.

Unfortunately there is no corroborative evidence of this most amazing sighting as the witness, like many others, was loath to report her experience for fear of ridicule.

However, the time is fast approaching when perhaps even a landing will be treated with respect.

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MOST RECENT SIGHTINGS - Victoria :

On the 25th April, two men pruning fruit trees at Gruyere, (two miles north of Seville, Vic.) saw what appeared to be a circular metallic object flashing in the sunlight about two miles east over the Yarra Valley.

The light appeared against a backdrop of mountains and was visible for several seconds. Before disappearing behind a hill, the object changed to a hemispherical shape and became a dull grey in color.

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Queensland : Mr. Jim Tilse, commercial pilot and licensee of the Retreat Hotel, near Mackay, told how a 'flying saucer' type machine 'buzzed' his hotel and remained near the hotel for 40 minutes. It appeared to be about 30 feet across and had a bank of floodlights in front of it. It had a large black disc on top of it and three legs from the base. Next day scorch marks were found and some trees appeared to have been scorched. Further investigation is now taking place.

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